

Notice of Ex Parte Communication

April 17, 2003

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: CG Docket No. 02-386

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 17, 2003, Judith L. Harris and the undersigned, on behalf of Americatel Corp. (“Americatel”), met with Richard Smith, Perlesta Hollingsworth and Alexis Johns from the Consumer and Government Affairs Bureau in connection with the above-listed proceeding. We discussed Americatel’s positions on customer billing issues. At this meeting, we specifically stressed the need for Commission action that would direct Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (“CLECs”) to offer long distance carriers Billing Name and Address (“BNA”) information immediately; set a deadline not to exceed one year from the Commission’s order in the proceeding for the customer record database(s) designed through the Ordering and Billing Forum (“OBF”) to be operational and require periodic reports from the industry as to its progress; and direct carriers to provide necessary customer information to the operator(s) of these databases in a reasonable manner to be determined by the OBF within 6 months of the Commission’s order in this matter.

Additionally, we provided the attached handout to the Bureau staff attending this meeting. A copy of the handout was also left for Margaret Egler. Please place a copy of this letter and the accompanying handout in the file for this proceeding.

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One electronic copy of this notice is being submitted to the Commission in accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules.

Very truly yours,

/s/

Robert H. Jackson

cc: Margaret Egler
Richard Smith
Perlesta Hollingsworth
Alexis Johns